

Economic development in Arizona depends on aviation. The state's position as a leader in job growth and population gains is linked to continued growth in tourism, high technology industry, and expansion of exports to the nation and the world.

- While Arizona's population is forecast to increase 20% by the year 2010, passenger traffic at Arizona airports is projected to rise by more than 70%.
- Total employment in industries producing goods and services related to aviation will exceed 250,000 workers in 2010, creating aviation economic activity valued at more than \$25 billion.
- Allowing for multiplier effects, the total impact of aviation on the state will approach \$50 billion by 2010.

#### **Tax Revenues**

Aviation creates jobs and income for Arizona residents while stimulating economic development in the state. Moreover, aviation "pays its way" as a source of tax dollars, creating income, sales, and special aviation tax revenues.

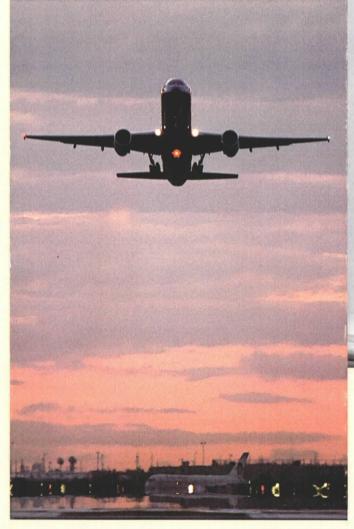
- Total tax revenues from aviation-related activity exceeded one half billion dollars in FY 1997—1998.
- The largest source of tax revenues was sales tax, of which 40% was from spending by air travelers and 60% was from taxable spending by aviation firms and organizations.



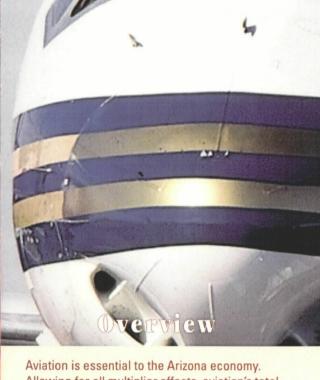


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# **ARIZONA AVIATION**



# The Economic Impact of Aviation in Arizona



Aviation is essential to the Arizona economy. Allowing for all multiplier effects, aviation's total economic impact was \$28.2 billion, supporting more than 420,000 jobs in the Grand Canyon State in FY 1997–1998. The economic impact of aviation has increased 66% since FY 1983–1984 (in constant 1998 dollars).

- The annual impact of firms and agencies supplying goods and services related to aviation (the primary economic impact) was \$15 billion.
- More than 167,000 workers were employed producing aviation products and services.
- By 2010, passenger enplanements at Arizona airports are expected to increase by more than 70%.

#### **Commercial Aviation**

Arizona has 10 airports that serve the state with commercial passenger and air cargo services.

- The primary impact of commercial aviation in Arizona was \$3.6 billion in FY 1997–98. More than 29,000 jobs were created at commercial service airports by airlines, air cargo firms, airport businesses, and government agencies.
- Accounting for all multiplier effects, commercial aviation and commercial service airports produced total economic activity of \$5.6 billion and supported 75,000 jobs in Arizona.



#### **General Aviation**

More than 5,000 registered general aviation aircraft in Arizona are used by corporate and private owners for business and recreational travel. Arizona recorded 3 million general aviation operations (take-offs and landings) each year.

- The primary economic impact of general aviation in Arizona is nearly \$1 billion. More than 10,500 jobs depend on general aviation, including aircraft repairs, sales, fuel service, storage, and airport administration.
- Allowing for multiplier effects, general aviation supported total economic activity of \$1.5 billion, creating 22,000 Arizona jobs in FY 1997—1998.

# **Total Economic Impact**

(Including Multiplier Effects)

Employment 420,847 Payroll (in millions) 9.150.9 Economic Activity (in millions) 28,173.0

# **Primary Economic Impact**

	Employment	Payroll (in millions)	Economic Activity (in millions)
Commercial Aviation	29,432	884.1	3,621.3
General Aviation	10,594	298.6	998.1
Aviation Education	1,324	37.7	67.3
Air Travelers	77,153	1,182.8	4,549.1
<ul> <li>Aerospace Manufacturing</li> </ul>	26,936	1,364.3	4,433.4
Military Aviation	21,886	570.0	1,345.7
SUM	167,325	4,337.5	15,014.9









#### **Air Travel and Tourism**

Arizona's resorts, scenery, and thriving economy attracted 6.9 million visitors who came to Arizona by commercial air carrier in FY 1997–1998. An additional 1 million persons arrived on private general aviation aircraft.

- These air travelers spent \$4.5 billion in Arizona, creating 77,000 jobs in lodging, retailing, and the service sector.
- Allowing for multiplier effects, spending by air travelers created total economic activity of \$9 billion, supporting 185,000 jobs with earnings of \$3 billion.



### **Aerospace Manufacturing**

Aerospace manufacturing is an important component of Arizona's world-class high technology industry cluster.

- The aerospace sector in Arizona produces annual output valued at \$4.4 billion. There were more than 26,900 workers in aerospace in FY 1997–98.
- Allowing for multiplier effects, Arizona aerospace manufacturing created total economic activity of \$9.4 billion, supporting nearly 100,000 jobs with earnings of \$3 billion.